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FROM: FBIS/USFJ  
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SUBJECT: Joint Use of a Portion of Land at Senaha  
Communication Station (FBIS Okinawa Bureau)

1. We are more than a little concerned over encroachment in the FBIS antenna field. In the past there was a restricted zone around the FBIS facility where no electricity was allowed in the houses and buildings. That zone has been eliminated and now electricity has been installed to the boundary of our antenna field. In fact, houses have been built within the boundary of the antenna field and low voltage (100/200 volt) lines have been installed to these houses. We are not sure how this was allowed to happen but we would prefer not to increase the encroachment by allowing the installation of high voltage (6.6 kilovolt) electric lines within the bounds of our antenna field.

2. As you know FBIS monitors radio news broadcasts from countries in the area. Some of these broadcast signals are from very low powered regional radio stations and any increase in the ambient electrical noise level would seriously hamper our efforts to monitor these stations and have a negative impact on our mission. If we cannot stop the installation of the high voltage lines within the bounds of our antenna field we must at least insist that the lines be installed underground as is the case with our incoming power.

3. Thank you for bringing this to our attention and please keep us informed of any new developments in this joint use request. Please feel free to contact the FBIS Regional Engineer at  if there are further questions.

Chief, Okinawa Bureau

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